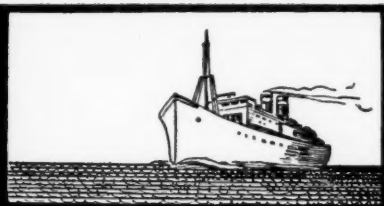


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18	3.50	66	.04	107	.01
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20	2.75	68	.02	109	.02
21	.70	69	.01	110	.02
22	1.50	70	.07	113	.40
23	.90	72	.15	114	.01
24	.25	74	.02	115	.01
25	.70	75	.01	116	.01
26	1.65	76	.01	117	.02
27	.75	77	.02	120	.02
31	2.10	78	.03	121	.01
32	.01	82	.04	122	.01
33	.01	83	.04	123	.01
34	.06	84	.09	124	.01
35	.15	85	.06	125	.01
36	.90	86	.01	128	.01
38	.16	89	.01	127	.10
39	.65	90	.01	131	.01
40	.05	91	.02	132	.02
42	.01	92	.04	136	.03
43	.04	93	.08	137	.01
44	.35	96	.05	138	.04
141	.01	142	.01	186	.01
143	.03	144	.02	189	.01
145	.04	146	.01	191	.01
147	.09	148	.08	192	.01
149	.01	149	.01	193	.02
150	.01	150	.01	194	.08
153	.01	153	.01	195	.01
154	.06	154	.06	196	.01
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156	.06	156	.06	198	.02
157	.07	157	.07	199	.01
159	.45	159	.45	200	.03
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163	.01	163	.01	203	.03
165	.02	165	.02	204	.03
167	.08	167	.08	205	.02
168	.01	168	.01	206	.01
169	.04	169	.04	207	.01
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Highlights Here and There

Mount Clemens Stamp Meeting

In the accompanying picture is shown the Bath City Stamp and Numismatic Club of Mt. Clemens, Mich. The picture was taken at a recent meeting of the



group at the home of one of the members, Miss Irene Crawford, the Secretary, advises. The picture was taken by A. J. Tripp, photographer for the Detroit Edison Co. The name Bath City comes from the healing powers of the mineral waters of the region. Local collectors interested in attending meetings of the club may contact Miss Crawford at 110 Grand Ave., Mt. Clemens, Mich.

Farley to Open Convention

Postmaster General Farley will attend the First World Wide Convention of Philatelists at Tulsa, Okla., May 17 and open the Convention officially. Farley will bring part of President Roosevelt's collection for display. So far 49 nations have indicated they will take part in the show, the latest to report being France, which will have an entry from its postal department as well as from French stamp societies.

Ernest G. Jarvis, President of the KenMore Stamp Company, has promised a large trophy to be given the collector who exhibits the best collection of the British Empire. If possible the firm will also show at the Convention the "talkie" film of the Coronation.

Northwest Territories Withdrawn

Both the 3c stamps issued in connection with the celebration of the sesquicentennial of the formation and settlement of the Northwest Territory were withdrawn from sale at the Philatelic Agency at the end of February. The 3c with portraits of Cutler and Putnam and a map in center was issued on July 13, 1937, at New York City and Marietta, Ohio; while the other 3c with likeness of the monument unveiled by President Roosevelt at Marietta last year was issued on July 15, 1938, at Marietta. The latter has not been widely circulated and apparently met with only a limited demand.

Panama Canal Commemoratives

The Republic of Panama will join with the United States and Canal Zone postal administrations in celebrating by issuing commemorative stamps on August 15th, the 25th anniversary of the opening to commerce of the Panama Canal. 3,800,000 stamps were ordered by the terms of a presidential decree, which will include nine stamps for ordinary mail and eight for air mail. Denominations and values as reported by the *Star and Herald* of the Zone as follows: *Ordinary postage*, 1/2c, Gatun Lake; 1c, Pedro Miguel Locks; 2c, allegory of the Canal; 5c, Culebra Cut; 10c, a "ferry boat"; 12c, aerial view of Canal; 15c, General Gorgas; 50c, Manuel Amador Guerrero, first president of Panama; and 1 balboa, Woodrow Wilson. The *air mail* series will include: 1c, Dr. Belisario Porras; 2c, William Howard Taft; 5c, Pedro J. Sosa; 10c, Lucien Bonaparte Wise; 15c, E. Reclus; 20c, General Goethals; 50c, Ferdinand de Lesseps; and 1 balboa, Theodore Roosevelt.

It will be noted these bring several new faces on stamps, most notable, that of de Lesseps, builder of the Suez Canal and whose attempt to build the Panama Canal ended in failure. It will also be the first time U. S. Presidents Wilson, T. Roosevelt and Taft have been shown on a foreign stamp. The stamps will remain on sale until all are sold. The set will be issued at all Panama post offices on the first day. All stamps will be the same size, 28x35 millimetres. We are indebted to Harry D. Baker, dealer at Cristobal, for this information.

Joseph Arthur Passes Away

Central Ohio collectors will mourn the loss of one of the best known collectors in that area with the death at the age of 66 on March 9 of Joseph Arthur, member of the Columbus Philatelic Club of which he was a charter member. Active until a few months ago when his health failed, Mr. Arthur had been elected the second honorary member of the club only a month before his death. A native of Canada, he had lived in Columbus many years. A veteran of the Spanish-American War, seeing service in Puerto Rico, he naturally became interested in the stamps of the United States as well as that island, also collecting narcotic revenues.

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Provisionals or new issues of stamps have not been attempted by the Japanese invaders or their puppet governments in China, "The Provisional Government of North China" and the "Reformed Government of Nanking." The regular stamps of the republic (National Government) continue to be used, though no explanation has been made of source of supplies. The 8th Route Army, operating in Shensi Province in northwestern China has issued stamps for use in that area only.

Birmingham (Mich.) Annual

The Oakland County Philatelic Association is holding its Second Annual Exhibition, Bourse and Banquet on Saturday, April 1, in the Birmingham Community House, Birmingham, Mich. The banquet will be at 7 P. M., though the other activities will start at 1 P. M. Banquet tickets are \$1.00 and reservations may be made with Harold Grogg, 37 Pike St., Pontiac, Mich.

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Special Delivery Double Paper Found

Another variety of the 10c Special Delivery, rotary press printing, is reported by H. G. Kingdom of Conneaut, Ohio. Mr. Kingdom acquired the major portion of a pane of this stamp from a post office nearby, the pane having the variety "double paper" horizontally on two rows of stamps and the row above as well as that below have the double paper under half of each stamp. This results in ten stamps (two horizontal rows of five) having double paper entirely; five stamps with lower half doubled; and five stamps with upper half doubled. This is the first time this stamp has been found in this form and represents a new catalog variety. The double paper is caused by either a break in the paper roll or the addition of a new roll, the two ends being pasted together by overlapping. Apparently the ordinary top rows of this pane had been used for postage before the double paper was noticed in the middle rows.

FIRST DAY CALENDAR

- 3c New York World's Fair, first day of sale April 1 at New York City. Large upright rectangular format.
- 3c Sesquicentennial of Inauguration of Geo. Washington, first day of sale at New York City, April 30.
- 3c 25th Anniversary of Panama Canal, first day of sale August 15 at a point not yet decided.



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The Postmaster at Andorra la Vieja, capital of the ancient state on the borders of France and Spain is reopening his office now that the Spanish insurgent troops have routed Spanish republican forces near the little autonomous state of Andorra. Being a supporter of the insurgents, the postmaster had closed his office more than a year ago and refused to have any dealings with the Spanish republican postal officials who jointly with France controlled the country's posts. At the time the republicans were forced to withdraw their control of the country a few weeks ago, a new issue of stamps for the Spanish post offices in Andorra was in preparation inscribed "Republica Espanola—Andorra," but these never appeared and on retreating the republican administrators closed the offices. Since the postal needs of the state are small, the changes and interruptions of the war were of little consequence within Andorra. Franco's victorious insurgents are supplying the service with new stamps consisting of insurgent issues overprinted "Andorra."

Airmail Pick Up May 12

Dr. W. S. Rosenheim of the Huntington, W. Va., Chamber of Commerce announced on March 9 that experimental air mail pick up service would start from the Huntington-Ironton-Chesapeake airport on May 12. Huntington will be the westernmost point on a "loop" route starting and ending at Pittsburgh and to include a number of cities. Official Post Office Dept. announcement on arrangements for handling covers and number of cities to be included on first flight is awaited. At most points the outgoing mail sack will be suspended on a loosely attached rope stretched between two poles; the rope being picked up by a grappling hook dragged by the plane; while at the same time a sack of mail is dropped from a trapdoor in the plane.

Royal Visit Issue May 15

The special issue of stamps commemorating the visit of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth will be issued at post offices throughout Canada on March 15. These will be large size stamps, double the size of the regular issue. On the 1c green will be depicted Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret Rose; the 2c brown will depict the National War Memorial at Ottawa; and the 3c red will portray the King and Queen. John J. McHale sends this information from an official announcement of March 8.

• Lincoln County, West Virginia, is losing its rector on March 31. However, spiritual advice will remain as before in the county as this particular RECTOR is a post office.

Naval Get-Together

The Third Annual Get-Together of the David Bushnell Chapter No. 48 of the Universal Ship Cancellation Society will be held at New Haven, Conn., in the Hejaz Grotto Bldg., Howard and Columbus Avenues, Sunday, April 16. The bourse and exhibition will open at noon with an auction scheduled for 3:30 P. M. The dinner will be at 5 P. M., with continuation of bourse afterwards. Souvenir poster stamps will be available at two for 5c. Reservations can be made with Arthur Williams, Secretary, 130 Campbell Ave., West Haven, Conn. Registration fee of \$1.25 includes dinner, etc. All naval and ship cancellation collectors are invited.

• Somaliland Protectorate, according to the official report, benefited to the extent of £11,000 from the sale of the Coronation set in 1937.

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Early Use of 1857 3c Perforated Recalled

Discovery during the latter part of February by the Y. Souren Company of a 3c 1857 with perforation gauge of $12\frac{1}{2}$ to 13 on a cover postmarked at Chicago, Jan. 8, 1857, has again brought into the fore the long standing puzzle of the so-called "Chicago perforations" of this stamp, at first believed to have been of private origin. Evidence still only fragmentary indicates that in March, 1856, a rouletting machine was shipped to Toppan, Carpenter & Co., printers of U. S. stamps. The machine is supposed to have been changed to a perforator and these stamps perf. $12\frac{1}{2}$ to 13, of which 17 copies are known, are from a trial use of it weeks, if not months, before the regularly perforated issue (gauge 15). Since the printers were the only firm known to have had at that time in the U. S. a perforating machine, the belief of some that the perforating was done privately at Chicago has been shaken, particularly since the newly found copy is further proof that no one firm used these mystery perforation varieties. It is on a private letter. An indication why the gauge used later in 1857 with introduction of all stamps perforated, was that of 15 is shown by the fact that most if not all of these $12\frac{1}{2}$ to 13 gauge copies are clipped. Apparently the holes were too far apart to make the stamps readily separate and the users cut them apart. It is known that the machine brought over in March 1856 from its English builders is the one used in 1857 to produce the perf. 15 stamps.

• Florence Nightingale will appear on one of the semi-postal series to be issued June 30 in Belgium to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Red Cross of Belgium. This will be the first appearance of the famous nurse of Crimean War days on postage stamps.

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AUCTION CALENDAR

March 28—U. S., Foreign. Leo Kusmierz, 6355 Willette, Detroit, Mich.

March 28-29—U. S. and Possessions. American Art Association—Anderson Art Galleries, Inc., 30 E. 57th St., New York City.

March 30—General. Cosmos Stamp Co., 116L Nassau St., New York City.

March 31-April 1—U. S., Foreign. Hugh C. Barr, Inc., 38 Park Row, New York City.

April 8—U. S., General. Uptown Stamp Co., 140L West 42nd St., New York City. Sale at Hollywood Branch office.

April 10—U. S., Wholesale, Foreign Airs. M. Amiel, Box 1903, St. Petersburg, Fla.

May 5-6—General. M. Ohlman, 116L Nassau St., New York City.

• Prior to June, 1868, the German city of Hamburg had post offices of the postal systems of Thurn and Taxis, Hanover, Prussia, Mecklenburg, and Denmark, in addition to the Hamburg Free City's postal service.

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Philatelic Mail Cancellations

A recent copy of the Postal Bulletin carried the following notice to postmasters and postal employees:

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CANCELATION OF STAMPS ON PHILATELIC MAIL

The Department has received many complaints from collectors of used postage stamps with regard to the excessive mutilation in the process of cancellation which renders the stamps unfit for collection purposes. These complaints relate particularly to commemorative stamps which are easily recognized and to ordinary stamps in the higher and less commonly used denominations. Since the collecting of postage stamps is one of the most educational and remunerative of all recreational pastimes and the source of much profitable postal revenue, it is the desire of the Department that officers and employees of the Postal Service shall cooperate with collectors to the fullest extent practicable, in the cancellation of stamps on philatelic mail.

Therefore, postal employees concerned in the handling and cancellation of mail matter should be constantly on the alert for letters and parcels bearing commemorative and other stamps of obvious philatelic value, in order that the stamps thereon may be given clear legible impressions, free from unnecessary defacement. This applies primarily to mail matter requiring hand cancellation at post offices not supplied with machines or at all post offices where the mail is of such nature to require hand stamping.

The following directions should be strictly observed:

1. All canceling equipment, including machine dies, steel and rubber hand postmarking stamps and stamp pads must be kept clean and in good working order to obviate smeary or blurred impressions.
2. Badly worn canceling equipment should be replaced.
3. Letters or parcels bearing blocks of stamps should be canceled with the least possible number of impressions. The oval-shaped canceler (Item 681) for registered matter can often be used to advantage on mail bearing multiples of stamps, especially on parcels.
4. Only regulation black canceling ink furnished by the Department for the purpose may be used in the cancellation of postage stamps.
5. The circular part of steel or rubber hand postmarking stamps must not be applied directly over postage stamps; the defacing bars are for this purpose.
6. *Daubers or other devices that obliterate the design of the postage stamp should never be used on philatelic mail.*

Postmasters are requested to see that these instructions are brought to the attention of all employees concerned for their future guidance.

Springfield, Ill., Exhibition

The Lincoln's Home Collector's Club of Springfield, Ill., will hold its annual stamp and hobby exhibition, Saturday, April 8, at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield. The banquet will be that evening, followed by an auction, Mrs. R. R. Clark of the Publicity Committee advises.

Electric Employees Exhibit

The Hawthorne Stamp Club of the Western Electric Company, Inc., of Chicago will hold its Eighth Annual Exhibition April 17 to 21 as a part of the Sixth Exhibit of the Associated Hawthorne Clubs. The show will be on the second floor of the Albright Gymnasium, Cermak Road, Cicero, Ill. Free to the public, it will be open from 5 to 10 P. M. each day. The Hawthorne Stamp Club and Teletype Club will have about 110 frames of stamps, the other clubs showing their hobbies activities. Further information can be obtained of F. Courtouis, Publicity Director, Dept. 1591-6, Western Electric Co., Hawthorne Sta., Chicago.

- The Arch of Triumph on the new 2 franc French stamp, stands at Orange in the south of France, home city of Premier Daladier. Who built it or why is not certain but it is believed to have been erected by the Roman Emperor Tiberius to commemorate his defeat of an important Gaul chieftain. The arch later served as a prison in the Middle Ages.

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Editor's Notebook

ERRORS Since the find of the Special Delivery part per on the West Coast, collectors in the central section of the country will probably figure it's their turn now. Seriously though, haven't we all over-rated the importance of issuance of the two recent errors? Many clubs have passed resolutions as a result of the release of the 6c air mail errors, based in great part on the suspicion created by the Farley issues of a few years ago. It develops that not the slightest bit of evidence has been discovered that the airmails were released through connivance and the find of the Special Delivery sheet is apparently just what was reported; so why should we get excited? In the first place, sale of such errors is limited to a small fraction of U. S. collectors; not due to the price alone, but simply because the average collector would sooner buy something else with his money. If these type errors were placed on sale at the Agency, no extra clerks would be needed to handle the orders for them. Few collectors

would buy such varieties as albums would not provide spaces and with everyone that cares to having the chance to buy, the stamps would increase in value no quicker than any other U. S. stamps.

From the standpoint of the Post Office Department the issuance of such stamps through error is of no great importance and no attention would be paid by the Dept. to their release unless collectors raised a fuss. True, clerks are supposed not to sell imperfect stock, but to return them for destruction. But can clerks be blamed for selling the sheets if a buyer appears, rather than bother returning them for destruction and going through departmental red tape in doing so? To the non-collector (as most clerks are), it would seem only common sense to either cut the things apart or unload them on the first buyer willing to take them. Since the issuance of such errors involves no loss to the Department, officials and employees cannot be blamed for their attitude. After all, the primary function of stamps is to pay postage. On the 6c airmails the Dept. in fact made better than \$100.

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing we feel has been unjustly criticised in connection with the air mails. They have to turn out hundreds of millions of stamps as economically as possible. To scrutinize each sheet often enough to make sure that nothing in the way of errors escapes would not only slow up the process of production but add to the cost, with the benefits to the government adding up to exactly zero. As a printer we think the Bureau, all things considered, does a fine job and that it is a compliment to its methods that so few imperfect stamps do get out. We are sincere in that for as you may recall we have criticised when we felt criticism was due in contrast to the "diplomats" who utter praise on any and all occasions. The Bureau has been criticised for centering of stamps, sticking to engraved processes, etc., but since the overwhelming majority of its stamps produced are required and used for postal purposes, it's just common sense that expenses are not increased so that all stamps would appear as perfect as those of countries where the majority of stamps go direct to albums.

The time for collectors to raise the roof with anger is when the occasion warrants it, but if they continue to complain unceasingly their complaints will go unheeded like the old cry of "wolf, wolf" in the fable. Let's not overdo it. —R. R.

Perfs and Imperts

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AT FIRST WE THOUGHT HE WAS dealing in neck wear to eke out dull moments in the stamp business but it develops the spelling "rarities" on a dealer's letterhead at hand is just one printer's version of "rarities." Incidentally, ever notice how those ties with stamp designs on them blossom at the stamp annuals?

IF REPRESENTATIVE SOL BLOOM is going to keep on pointing out to foreign governments the profits possible from issues to commemorate the events Sol becomes director of, then it might behoove collectors for their own defense to start a movement to keep Sol from becoming Director of any more national celebrations. The fellow is getting too darn commercial. Why should stamp collectors pay the cost of ballyhooing his shows?

WAR BUDDIES OF CAPT. EDDIE Grant, who (according to a clipping from the N. Y. Daily Mirror submitted by Julius Glaser), "was the only big league player to be killed in action in the World War" want his picture on the baseball centenary stamp. The line of reasoning is a little obscure to us.

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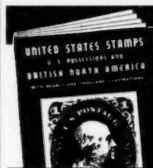
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To The Editor:

In response to O. J. Richardson's article in "Linn's" of Feb. 11, requesting a 3c Air postcard the following facts must be considered.

1. Cards weigh almost as much as letters and the time required to handle cards by P.O. clerks is 1/3 greater than time required to handle the same number of letters.

2. Revenue on air cards would lessen the revenue by 50% because all air correspondence would use that type of message stationery thus receiving an advanced service for 1/2 the cost.

L. W. Pace.

Calendar Of Annual Events

Baltimore, Md.—Golden Jubilee Exhibition by the Baltimore Philatelic Society at the Enoch Pratt Free Library, April 22 to 30.

Beaver Falls, Pa.—Annual meeting, exhibition, etc., of the Beaver County Philatelic Society at the General Brodhead Hotel, April 15-16.

Binghamton, N. Y.—Sixth annual exhibition and banquet of the Binghamton Philatelic Society at Carlton Hotel, April 22.

Buffalo, N. Y.—Annual meeting of the Buffalo Stamp Club at the Hotel Statler, May 12-13-14.

Cicero, Ill.—Eighth Annual Exhibition of the Hawthorne Stamp Club at the Associated Hawthorne Clubs Exhibit, April 17-21, Albright Gymnasium.

Corning, N. Y.—Fourth annual exhibition and banquet of the Crystal City Stamp Club, April 15 at the Baron Steuben Hotel.

Jackson, Mich.—Annual banquet and exhibition of the Jackson Stamp Club at the First M. E. Church on April 8.

New Haven, Conn.—Third Annual Get-Together of the David Bushnell Chapter, Universal Ship Cancellation Society, at Hejaz Grotto Bldg., Sunday, April 16.

San Francisco, Calif.—First annual exhibition by the California Collectors Club at Olympic Hotel, 230 Eddy St., May 12-14.

Spokane, Wash.—Pacific International Philatelic Exhibition sponsored by the Northwest Federation of Stamp Clubs, Welch Bldg., May 28, 29 and 30.

Springfield, Ill.—Annual stamp and hobby exhibition by the Lincoln's Home Collector's Club, Saturday, April 8, at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel. Banquet also.

Toledo, O.—Annual exhibition, bourse and banquet of the Toledo Philatelic Society, Saturday and Sunday, April 1-2, at Waldorf Hotel.

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The Postage Stamp Parade

A Record of New Issues and New Discoveries
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COLOMBIAN REPUBLIC—Postal Tax Stamps. Lithographed, perf. 11, unwatermarked. Size of stamp 27½x28 perf. to perf.:

- ¼c. blue (General Post Office)
- ¼c. rose (same)
- 1c. violet (same)
- 2c. pale emerald (same)
- 20c. brown (same)
- 25c. orange (same)

(R. Roberts)

CUBA—New Color. Rotary Press Printing, perf. 10, wmkd. star:

A37—3c. dull purple

The other printing, Scott's #311 has a reddish cast, while this new color is darker and more of a bluish cast.

(Rafael R. Garcia)

ESTONIA—1939 Charity Issue. Design is various Arms on a shield and inscribed Caritas 1939. Perf. 13½, unwmkd., printed on safety paper with gray network on face. Off-set printing, size of stamp 23½x29mm., perf. to perf.:

- 10s. plus 10s. green
- 15s. plus 15s. carmine
- 25s. plus 25s. blue
- 50s. plus 50s. brown

(R. Roberts)

MEXICO—Air Post Stamp. Type of 1934-35, unwmkd., perf. 10½x10:



AP18—20c. brown-carmine

(Scott's Monthly Supplement)

MONACO—New Value. Size of stamp, 21½x26mm., perf. to perf. Engraved, perf. 14x13, unwmkd.:

90c. purple (Prince Louis, portrait in uniform)

(R. Roberts)

MOZAMBIQUE—Charity Stamp. Photogravure printing on unwatermarked chalky paper, perf. 14:

- SP10—40c. orange & black
- SP10—40c. green & mauve

(R. Roberts)

ST. THOMAS & PRINCE ISLANDS. New Historical & Pictorial Issue, as the one noted by us Nov. 12, 1938, but inscribed "S. TOME e PRINCIPE" in Roman Caps. Unwmkd., perf. 13½x12½, engraved:

- 1c. olive
- 5c. yellow brown
- 10c. claret
- 15c. purple-brown
- 20c. gray-slate
- 30c. purple
- 35c. emerald
- 40c. brown
- 50c. mauve
- 60c. gray
- 70c. purple
- 80c. orange
- 1E. red
- 1.75E. blue
- 2E. maroon
- 5E. olive
- 10E. deep ultramarine
- 20E. red-brown

(R. Roberts)

SWEDEN—Coil Stamps. Perf. 12½ vertically, unwmkd., engraved, printed on thin paper. Note new perforation for coils.

20 ore, rose (Portrait of King Gustav, uniform, profile to right)

60 ore, deep rose (Three Crowns)

(R. Roberts)

SWITZERLAND—Swiss National Exhibition at Zurich 1939 Commemoratives. A series of three values comprising three sets of stamps, each set printed in one of the three languages used in Switzerland, German, Italian and French, making a total of nine stamps. Two lower values are engraved, 41x24mm.; and the highest value is photogravure 41x26mm. Unwmkd., perf. 11½:



10c. purple & red (Group of people bringing their art, products, handiwork, etc., to the fair)

20c. deep carmine & red (Elderly man reading to a group of people)

30c. dark blue & red (Snow capped mountains)

(Joseph Meinardi)

Vatican City Provisionals

The Philatelic Magazine reports several values of the 1929 Vatican City set have been seen overprinted "SEDE VACANTE—MCMXXXIX" which signifies the vacancy in the Holy See caused by death of Pius XI. Quantities, etc., are not reported.

What Might Have Been

The autonomous Carpatho-Ukraine portion of federal Czechoslovakia planned according to Wm. M. Stuart, Stamp Editor of the *Washington Post*, to issue on March 21 a stamp to commemorate the first session of the Diet of the new state. This stamp becomes a lost issue with the invasion of the state on March 14-15 by Hungarian and Rumanian troops with intent of annexing it to those countries.

• Pennsylvania loses another post office with a "Pennsylvania Dutch" name on March 31, when the office of LUTZVILLE in Bedford County closes its doors.

British Colonials

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130-139 Br. Guiana	(10)	4.20
41-6 Cape of G. H.	(6)	.65
11-15 Cyprus	(5)	8.35
18-25 Cyprus	(8)	3.15
125-30 Cyprus	(6)	.25
200-8 Ceylon	(7)	.10
128-38 Egypt	(11)	.23
175-188 Egypt P.U.C.	(14)	16.00
217-19 Egypt Abro.	(3)	.30
220-22 Egypt Oph.	(3)	.30
227-29 Egypt Radio	(3)	.40
230-32 Egypt Lep'y	(3)	.40
A5-A24 Egypt	(20)	7.50
A25 Egypt	(1)	.02
235-38 G.B. Geo. VI	(4)	.05
4-8 Gold Coast	(5)	3.10
10-11 Gold Coast	(2)	5.00
12-20 Gold Coast	(9)	1.50
33-34 Gold Coast	(2)	3.00
142-48 India Jub. C.	(7)	.50
245-48 Nfd. An. set	(4)	.20
77-81 Palestine	(5)	.05
118-21 Papua Cor	(4)	.50
26-33 Rhodesia	(8)	.60
101-3 Rhodesia	(3)	.10
119-21 Rhodesia	(4)	.05
38-41 S. Rhod. Cor.	(4)	1.50
50-58 Sudan	(9)	17.50
2-9 U. of S. Afr.	(8)	.15

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89-93	.15	217-227	.50
104-10	.15	228-30	.05
114-16	.06	231-236	.14
121-6	.07	238-40	.05
131-3	.10	241-4	.50
149-59	1.35	AL-5	.35
162-72	.75	SDI-5	.80
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PHILIPPINE NOTES

By PABLO M. ESPERIDION

The Philippine Airmail Exhibition, first airmail show of the Philippines, came to a successful close on February 19. As previously mentioned in this column, this exhibition was conducted under the auspices of the Philippine Air Mail Society, Chapter 13 of the American Mail Society. The exhibition was opened at 4 p. m. on February 17, with Secretary of Public Works and Communications Mariano J. Cuenco, officiating. Secretary Cuenco was accompanied by Director of Posts Juan Ruiz, Superintendent of Posts Jose Pilapil, and officers and members of the Philippine Airmail Exhibition.

One hundred and eighty-two frames consisting of rare, valuable and interesting exhibits were displayed, with an appraised value of \$200,000 (market). According to the register of the exhibition, more than 5,000 persons visited this first airmail show of the Philippines.

Walter Bruggmann of Manila and one of the outstanding airpost collectors of the world, won the Grand Award and copped almost all the first prizes (gold medals) in each section except the first prize for Aerophilatic Literature which was awarded to your humble correspondent. Four special awards (gold medals) were given by the exhibition and two of

them had been awarded to Mr. Bruggmann, too. Although Mr. Bruggmann had submitted 108 frames, it was not the quantity but the quality of his exhibits that warranted his reaping the major prizes, the jury on awards declared.

Foreign and U. S. Collectors had likewise participated in this first airmail exhibition of the Philippines. The United States was represented with entries submitted by Ernest A. Kehr, L. B. Gatchell and K. N. Woodward, all of New York; the first two having been awarded second prizes (silver medals) in sections—Rest of the World and United States of America, respectively.

Winging its way on its first test flight to the Orient, the 74-passenger Boeing Clipper (twice the size of the China Clipper) touched Philippine soil at 2 p. m. on March 2. In order to give city residents a good perspective of this largest commercial airplane of the world on its arrival in Manila, it flew very low at the Luneta (same site Ruth Law carried the first air mail of the Philippines) and around the Manila Bay, before docking at the PAA air base in Cavite. A rousing welcome was given to this giant of the air by high government officials, headed by Paul McNutt, American High Commissioner to the Philippines. Commanding this super clipper is Capt. William A. Cluthe, who ten years ago predicted that he would some day fly the largest airplane of the world. His dream was thus accomplished.

Indicative of the desire of the Philippines to commemorate likewise this first test flight of the Boeing Clipper, the Bureau of Posts, Manila, will apply a purple diamond cachet on all covers carried on its first return flight. The cachet in question will read: "OFFICIAL CACHET—FIRST FLIGHT—BOEING CLIPPER—MANILA TO S. FRANCISCO—VIA GUAM & HONOLULU—MARCH, 1939" with the seal of the Philippine Commonwealth and a three-blade propeller.

According to the bulletin of the Bureau of Posts, at this writing (March 6), the Boeing Clipper is scheduled to leave on March 7, at dawn—air mail and the application of cachets on covers for this first return test flight, closes on March 6, at 8 p. m.

These notes are being sent on this return shakedown flight of the Boeing Clipper, which will undoubtedly reach the United States in less than five days. A speed which can be considered—another milestone in human achievement, in the conquest of the air!

Three cheers! For the Boeing Clipper!

Editor's Note: The cover arrived in Columbus the morning of March 16, but since no handstamp was applied at San Francisco actual time across the Pacific isn't indicated. The cachet was applied in violet.

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EXTRAVAGANZA

I don't think a lot of our newer readers ever heard about the "Ten of a Kind" buro collection. I have mentioned this, I think, before, but it was quite a while ago and is worth repeating now. There were at the start of Bureau Collecting several collectors who formed their collections in somewhat the following manner. They first strived to get one each of every known item and after that as many more of each item up to nine duplicates. There was not a whole lot of rhyme or reason to such a collection but after discounting the locality it was made up in and for the exceptional things that are likely to occur in forming such a collection it was a fairly good

barometer of the scarcity of the different items. In those days most items were obtained when and where you found them and few were gotten OUT as we speak of today's items.

CITY TYPE COILS

Presidentials. In the March issue of the MIDWEST we note that Baltimore, Md., has precancelled the 1c coil in U-97 type. From our faithful friend down South comes a 1c Augusta, Ga., coil in a type similar to U-70.

RITTMAN, OHIO

A correction: the 14c dated item listed a few weeks back as from Quitman, Ohio, was really from Rittman, Ohio. There is no Quitman, Ohio. The first couple letters were rather indistinct and as usual I jumped at a conclusion knowing better all along.

NOTES

12c Presidential, Grant's Pass, Oreg., U-121. A number of collectors are going in for the $\frac{1}{2}$ c value in horizontal pairs. —The way they are actually commercially used.—Noticed a DAYTID recently in BROWN INK.—Would it be such a crime to remove the dating, etc., smudged from a good buro?— $\frac{4}{5}$ c Meridian, Miss., U-120.

Colombian Too Late Stamps Are Found To Be Fraudulent

After nearly twenty years, collectors learn that the Too Late stamps listed under Colombian Republic for the years 1919 and 1921 are really bogus productions issued privately and with no semblance of official authority. This is the interesting information reported by John N. Myer in the January *American Philatelist*. Mr. Myer relates how after considerable research he found that both issues were listed in the catalogues as a result of the perpetrators submitting specimens to catalog publishers. These all were produced at Medellin, the 1919 "Retardo" overprint being applied by a Remington typewriter in the possession of a post office employee who was also a stamp dealer. The 1921 issue was distributed through two Medellin collectors. Mr. Myer pointed out in his article that a Decree in 1918, by the national government discontinued at that time the use of Too Late fee stamps and has not authorized any since.

• After checking their history books, Chilean authorities have decided that an engraving of the Chilean cruiser "Angamos" would be more appropriate than that of the corvette "Abtao" on the Easter Island commemoratives and accordingly have amended the decree of last May to that extent.

Jugoslavain Postal Centenary

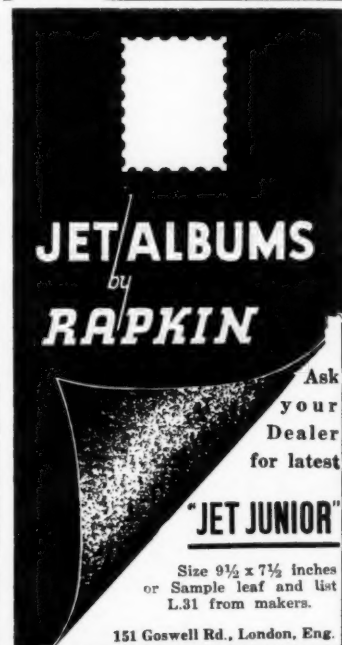
In 1839 the first post offices were established in Serbia, now an integral part of Yugoslavia and as these were the first offices established in any portion of the present kingdom, the Department of Posts, Telephones and Telegraphs issued on March 15 five new stamps depicting different methods of mail transportation of the past and present. These are being sold at double their postage value, the surplus to go to the P. T. T. Employee's Home. The high value of the set is not being sold separately, though 100,000 were printed of it and 150,000 of the other four.

• Though it existed nearly a year the postal service of the Priamur Provisional Government located in Nikolaevsk in Siberia, managed to get along with very small quantities of stamps. Of the 20 kopec on 3 kopec Semi-Postal stamp only 29 were issued, while less than 100 copies were issued of other varieties priced in Scott's at less than \$100.

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A stock broker who is a very good friend of mine has always held the opinion that philately was some sort of minor diversion comparable to mumblety-peg or darts. He was rudely awakened a day or so ago when he noted the final figures on the first day sales of the Presidential series. These figures, included almost 3,000,000 first day covers, an increase in Government funds of approximately \$700,000 and a total first day sale of more than 8,000,000 individual stamps. The aforementioned gentleman has been observed muttering to himself and peering at the displays of stamp dealers along Nassau Street during his lunch hour.

Patriotic New Yorkers are anxiously awaiting the release of our own World's Fair commemorative. To those of our readers who may want to know just what the Trylon and Perisphere are supposed to represent, we refer you to Mr. Grover Whalen, managing director of the Fair, who is, at present writing, the only man in New York who claims to know. We can also warn you that Mr. Whalen's explanations have been more than a little vague. The best explanation which we have been able to secure seems to be

that the T. & P. are symbolic of "The Dawn of a New Day," whatever that means.

Another Baseball Stamp Design

Ballston Spa, N. Y., the village where Abner Doubleday was born is also requesting some recognition of that city's connection with the inventor of baseball. An editorial of February 23 in the *Ballston Spa Journal* suggested a view of the house in which Doubleday was born might suitably "adorn some one of the series." Which, incidentally, is the first reference to more than one stamp, though the Postmaster General has promised only one. F. Howard Armer of the town submits a biography of Doubleday recently printed in the *Journal*, also an article quoting Frank Menke's Encyclopedia of Sports to the effect that the game was played in a dozen, possibly a score of cities long before it was known in Cooperstown. Mr. Menke disputes the claim that Doubleday even played the game as early as 1839 at Cooperstown. Legend and fact have always insisted in the two New York villages that Doubleday invented the game and the first one was played in the summer of 1839 at Cooperstown. Doubleday would have been 20 years old at the time. In 1842 he graduated from West Point in a class including a number of graduates later to become famous Civil War commanders. Doubleday was the officer of the day at Fort Sumter when the Confederate forces opened fire on April 12, 1861, and personally aimed the first return shot of the beleaguered federals. During the war he attained the rank of Brevet Major General and following its conclusion wrote two books of reminiscences. He died in 1893 and is buried at Arlington National Cemetery.

• The Knoxville Stamp Club, A. C. Delpuech, Secy., 1114 W. Clinch Ave., Knoxville, Tenn., will handle covers for last day of old cancellation and first day of the new when on April 1 Gatlinburg Rural Station of Sevierville, Tenn., becomes the post office of Gatlinburg. It was at this station the 10c Parks stamp was first issued. This was formerly an isolated mountain village but now is on a paved highway with a year 'round population of 1,000, with double that in the summer.

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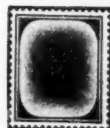
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283	.07	403	.30	550	.35
285	.07	407	.22	572	.08
308	.20	417	.07	573	.16
309	.09	420	.20	516	.50
310	.40	421	.50	519	.30
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S.P.A. Convention in August

Announcement comes from the Maryland Philatelic Society, S.P.A. Branch No. 2, that the annual convention of the Society of Philatelic Americans will be held at Baltimore in the Lord Baltimore Hotel August 24 to 27. The program is now being prepared and is in charge of a committee headed by Thomas Isekoff, 413 Munsey Bldg., Baltimore, Md.

The national officers of the S. P. A. have also issued the first number of the temporary official organ, a 48 page production telling in detailed form with photostats as illustrations the present difficulties of the society. The officers have also produced the 1938-39 Year Book which contains a stenographic report of the Chicago Convention and for the first time in many years the complete by-laws, etc., are printed. For the time being the Society proposes to print a temporary monthly bulletin, probably until after the Baltimore Convention. Stephen G. Rich, Box B, Verona, N. J., is Secretary Pro-Tem of the Society, to hold that office until a successor can be selected or elected.

• Canada's special delivery service is in effect at 81 post offices, but only between the hours of 7 A. M. and 10 P. M.

• On January 19, centenary of the capture of Aden, the new regular postage series was placed on sale.

U. S. NOTES

You can cancel that item on page 300 (March 11 LINN'S) about the new Harding perforation variety of 10½x11 being found on the 2c 1923 rotary press memorial stamp. Mr. Herst reports that it is actually perforated 9½x10, which is quite a difference from the original description sent us by him. Since the stamp normally comes perforated 10 and these vary slightly due to the variations of manufacture, the 9½ is easily accounted for. Many copies of current rotary press stamps, particularly the 1926-27 types will be found to gauge other than the gauge listed in the catalog, varying as much as ½ in 10 or 11 gauge. Hereafter in reporting unlisted perforation varieties readers should submit the stamps for inspection with stamped addressed return envelopes.

Is the N. R. A. stamp a memorial? This question is asked by reader William E. Webbe of Chicago. Strictly speaking, the stamp is not a memorial or commemorative issue, but a propaganda issue. This is shown by the official notice of its issue, under date of August 8, 1933, and addressed to the officers and employees of the postal service: "... preparing to issue a special postage stamp in the 3-cent denomination to direct attention to and arouse the support of the Nation in the National Recovery Act." Since we lack any classification for any types of such special issues which are not actually commemoratives, the stamp is generally included with the commemoratives and undoubtedly fits in that classification better than any other now in use. The National Parks and Territorial series also could hardly be called commemoratives but custom has grouped them along with out-and-out commemoratives.

The reason single stamps which appear to be imperforate all around, are not accepted as proof of existence of a newly discovered "error" can be shown by a brief survey of a number of booklet panes. Notice that the lower corner stamps frequently occur with large imperforate margins on the two outer sides and not so frequently the perforations on the two inner edges also are an unusual distance from the design. If such a stamp had those perforations trimmed away, it would appear as an imperf copy of the current 1c, 2c or 3c rotary; a copy otherwise above suspicion as the margins would be wide all around. Sometimes in cutting the printed sheets of 360 subjects into 60 panes of 6 stamps each, the cutting knife errs and cuts into the design of the next pane's stamps. Single corner copies adjoining such a freak cutting present an unusual and to those unfamiliar with their origin, a puzzling appearance.

• Broome County, New York, is being swept clean of unnecessary post offices so on March 31 the office of ITASKA joins the dust.

Stamp Dealers Make Plans

Meeting at the Collectors Club, the New York Chapter of the American Stamp Dealers' Association on March 7 elected F. R. Ferryman, President; Hamilton Hare, Secretary and Carl Pelander, Treasurer. The Executive Committee is formed of these men with Edson J. Fifield, Herbert F. Reuben, Peter G. Keller and Gregory Mozier and plans to act immediately on problems confronting the stamp trade. A major intention is to effect closer relations between the New York dealers and for more personal contact between dealer and collector.

3c Rate Requested

If Congress accepts the advice of Postmaster General Farley, it will continue for at least two more years the letter postage rate of three cents. Farley submitted his recommendation on the 22nd, pointing out that revenues for the fiscal year of 1938 would have been \$95,700,000 less under a two-cent rate.

• JOSEPHINE changes her name to FRANCIS on May 1st. Nope, it isn't the late better half of Napoleon, but just a Montana post office.

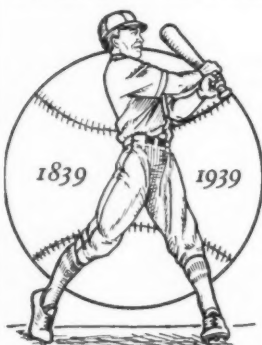
British Colonials At Fair

The British Colonial exhibit at the New York World's Fair which is being organized by the Colonial Empire Marketing board will include a comprehensive display of colonial stamps as well as the products of the colonies.

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